

**From:** jdp@ssitech.com@inetgw  
**To:** Microsoft ATR  
**Date:** 1/24/02 12:22pm  
**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

As an IT professional I must say that I am growing weary of the ongoing assault on Microsoft by several independent states and the U.S. government ... despite the fact that an equitable settlement was reached many weeks ago! I particularly ... am very weary of interested third-party coaching that organizations such as AOL-Time Warner are doing from the sidelines to advance their cause (e.g. more bucks) under the guise of community interest and consumer awareness. What BS!! Even as I right this brief note I see where AOL has once again brought litigation against Microsoft with regard to their Netscape Browser and Microsoft's IE. Hey ... just goes to show you that we have the best political thinking that money can buy. If you can't innovate then litigate. Frankly ... when the dust settles on this case ... I want to file a suit against GM because they don't integrate the v10 engine that I prefer ... just because it is made by Dodge! Certainly that can't be right ... or legal? On a more serious note however I as an individual want to choose who I do my business with what I want to run my business on ... and who I want to partner with as a technology leader. That decision will be Microsoft Microsoft and MICROSOFT. If you can show me any successful enterprise in this country that has succeeded without utilizing the same type of aggressiveness initiative and intellectual commitment made by Microsoft ... I will kiss your you know what at high-noon and let you pick the place. Stop wasting our time our patience and our money. There are far more important issues on the table today.